



PC AGENDA: 5-28-03

ITEM: 3.g.

Memorandum

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION

FROM: Stephen M. Haase

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: 5-13-03

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2

SUBJECT: ST 03-002. PROPOSED RENAMING OF A PORTION OF BRANHAM LANE/BRANHAM LANE EAST, TO EMBEDDED WAY

BACKGROUND

The applicant, Lynux Works, is requesting to rename a portion of Branham Lane East, to *Embedded Way* (see attached map). This portion of Branham Lane East runs between Hellyer Avenue and Coyote Creek.

GENERAL PLAN CONFORMANCE

In 2000, the City Council initiated and approved General Plan (GP) Amendments (File Nos. GP 00-02-02 & GP 00-T-24) that removed the interchange and arterial (80-106 feet) designations from the Branham Lane/US 101 interchange and reduced the planned level of development in the Edenvale Industrial Area. These General Plan Amendments eliminated the planned Branham Lane overpass at Highway 101 and removed the Arterial designation between 101 and Coyote Creek, thereby severing the planned connection between the two existing segments of Branham Lane.

ANALYSIS

The renaming of this street has been reviewed for consistency with the attached City of San Jose Council Policy 6-5; *Street Naming and Street Name Change*. The criteria applicable to the naming of this private driveway are as follows:

1. The names must meet with the approval of the County Communications Department and the US Post Office. Both of these organizations have reviewed and approved the new name of "Embedded Way" based on the fact that this street segment is no longer planned to connect to the existing Branham Lane westerly of Highway 101.
2. Individual property owners, when affected by a name change, are to be informed and be given an opportunity to be heard by the Planning Commission and the City Council. All adjacent property owners have been sent copies of the staff report for the proposed change.

Based on this analysis staff concludes that the proposed street name conforms to City Council Policy 6-5.

The proposed renaming the street will also make it easier for visitors and emergency personnel to find the businesses on the street.

RECOMMENDATION

Planning staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend that the City Council approved the proposed Street Name Change.

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ATTACHMENT

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